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THE SECRETARY'S STAFF MEETING, 9:15 a.m. (attendance attached)

Mr. Merchant, Chairman

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3. Germany and Berlin

Mr. Kohler said we now have certain additional information confirming our suspicions regarding the difficulties Khrushchev encountered with the East German leaders during his visit to Berlin after the Paris meeting. Apparently the East Germans had anticipated tangible results from the Summit with respect to further recognition and were correspondingly disappointed at its outcome and at Khrushchev's refusal to fix a date for signature of the peace treaty. Mr. Kohler mentioned also that the CDU had now decided against a Bundestag meeting in ~~Paris~~ in September which was helpful in leaving the decision on this matter entirely in German hands.

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